

REMARKS

Claims remaining in the present patent application are numbered 1-11 and 24. Claim 24 has been amended. Claims 12-20 and 22-23 have been canceled. Claim 21 had been previously canceled. No new matter has been added. The rejections and comments of the Examiner set forth in the Office Action dated July 19, 2004 have been carefully considered by the Applicants. Applicants respectfully request the Examiner to consider and allow the remaining claims.

Acceptance of Allowed Claims

Claims 1-11 and 24 are allowed. Applicants wish to thank the Examiner for the allowance of Claims 1-11 and 24 as allowable subject matter. Claim 24 has been amended to correct a similar informality as indicated in Claim 15. That is, Applicants also have changed the term "parameter" to "perimeter" in Claim 24.

CONCLUSION

In light of the facts and arguments presented herein, Applicants respectfully request reconsideration of the rejected Claims 12-20 and 22-24. Claims 1-11 and 24 have been allowed.

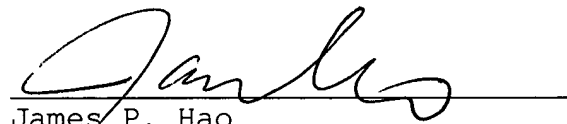
Applicants further respectfully point out that no contested Claims remain in the present Application.

The Examiner is invited to contact Applicants' undersigned representative if the Examiner believes such action would expedite resolution of the present Application.

Respectfully submitted,

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